

RTIP ID# <i>(required)</i> RIV11203				
Project Description: The California Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration, in coordination with the City of Palm Springs, propose to widen Indian Canyon Drive from Palm Springs Station Road to Tramview Road in the City of Palm Springs, Riverside County, California. The roadway will be widened from 2 to 4 lanes and additional improvements consisting of a 1000-foot concrete structural section at the northern end of the project. Other project features include curb and gutter at the southern end of the project, culvert extensions, as well as pavement overlay and reconstruction where necessary.				
Type of Project <i>(use Table 1 on instruction sheet)</i> The proposed project does not fit into any of the "Table 1" categories. The project would consist of widening of an existing local arterial road.				
County Riverside	Narrative Location/Route & Postmiles: Project is located along Indian Canyon Drive, from Palm Springs Station Road to Tramview Road, in the City of Palm Springs in eastern Riverside County. Caltrans Projects – EA#			
Lead Agency: Caltrans, FHWA, and City of Palm Springs				
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Hot Spot Pollutant of Concern <i>(check one or both)</i> PM2.5 PM10 ✓				
Federal Action for which Project-Level PM Conformity is Needed <i>(check appropriate box)</i>				
Categorical Exclusion (NEPA)	✓ EA or Draft EIS	FONSI or Final EIS	PS&E or Construction	Other
Scheduled Date of Federal Action:				
Current Programming Dates <i>as appropriate</i>				
	PE/Environmental	ENG	ROW	CON
Start	2006	2006	2008	2009
End	2008	2008	2008	2009
Project Purpose and Need (Summary): <i>(attach additional sheets as necessary)</i> <p>The Indian Canyon Drive Widening Project is located in the northern portion of the City of Palm Springs, Riverside County, California (Figures 1 and 2). The project road segment extends from Tramview Road to Palm Springs Station Road. The purpose of the project is to improve current and future traffic circulation and roadway Level-of-Service (LOS). Indian Canyon Drive, a north-south roadway, currently maintains one traffic lane in each direction within the project area. The project proposes to expand Indian Canyon Drive from its current width to provide two traffic lanes in each direction with a 4-foot median and 8-foot shoulders. The project will require additional right-of-way, two culvert replacements or extensions, and approximately 260 meters (850 feet) of curb and gutter at the south end of the project. No other curbs or berms are proposed. Minor traffic signal modifications will be necessary at the intersection with Sunrise Parkway. Additionally, a 300-meter (1000 foot) concrete structural section is proposed for the roadway in the northern portion of the Whitewater River crossing to facilitate maintenance during periods of flooding. The remainder of the project is proposed to utilize an AC overlay, except in areas of excessive cracking or wear, in which the structural section will be replaced in its entirety. The project may also require relocating existing power lines paralleling Indian Canyon, as well as the possibly relocating underground utilities. The roadway will conform to existing four-lane conditions at both ends of the project. The project may employ a staging area on the southern end of the project to the west of the roadway.</p>				

Surrounding Land Use/Traffic Generators (*especially effect on diesel traffic*): Land uses adjacent to the project alignment include: single and multi-family residences at the southern portion of the project, vacant BLM land, Coachella Valley Water District land with wind mills, and a preserve along the eastern edge of the project site south of Granite Construction property and north of the Palm Springs Village development. The Southern Pacific Railroad crosses the project at the northern most end of the alignment.

Opening Year: Build and No Build LOS, AADT, % and # trucks, truck AADT of proposed facility

	LOS	AADT	Truck Only AADT	Truck Percentage
No Build	--	--	--	--
Build	B	33,500	2,010	6%

RTP Horizon Year / Design Year: Build and No Build LOS, AADT, % and # trucks, truck AADT of proposed facility

	LOS	AADT	Truck Only AADT	Truck Percentage
No Build	--	--	--	--
Build	C	40,500	2,430	6%

Opening Year: If facility is an interchange(s) or intersection(s), Build and No Build cross-street AADT, % and # trucks, truck AADT

N/A – Facility is not an interchange or intersection.

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Describe potential traffic redistribution effects of congestion relief (*impact on other facilities*)

The project would provide additional capacity on Indian Canyon Drive for peak hour congestion. The project will not change traffic flows or have redistribution effects. The additional lanes will match the roadway widening to the north and existing conditions to the south.

Comments/Explanation/Details (*attach additional sheets as necessary*)

None.